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Him & Her
YUI~!
LISTEN TO THIS! I BROKE UP WITH MY BOYFRIEND!
HUH? WHAT HAPPENED, AYANE?
HE WAS MEETING WITH SOME GIRL IN SECRET!
I CAN'T BELIEVE IT!
THERE'S NO WAY I'M FORGIVING HIM NOW!
DID YOU CONSIDER IT COULD'VE JUST BEEN HIS FRIEND OR SOMETHING?
I MEAN ALL THEY DID WAS MEET, RIGHT?
THE MOMENT HE STARTS MEETING WITH ANOTHER GIRL IT COUNTS AS CHEATING!
BESIDES, IF IT WASN'T, WHY DID HE KEEP IT SECRET FROM ME?

S-SOUNDS ROUGH...
DAMN, GIRLS ARE SCARY.
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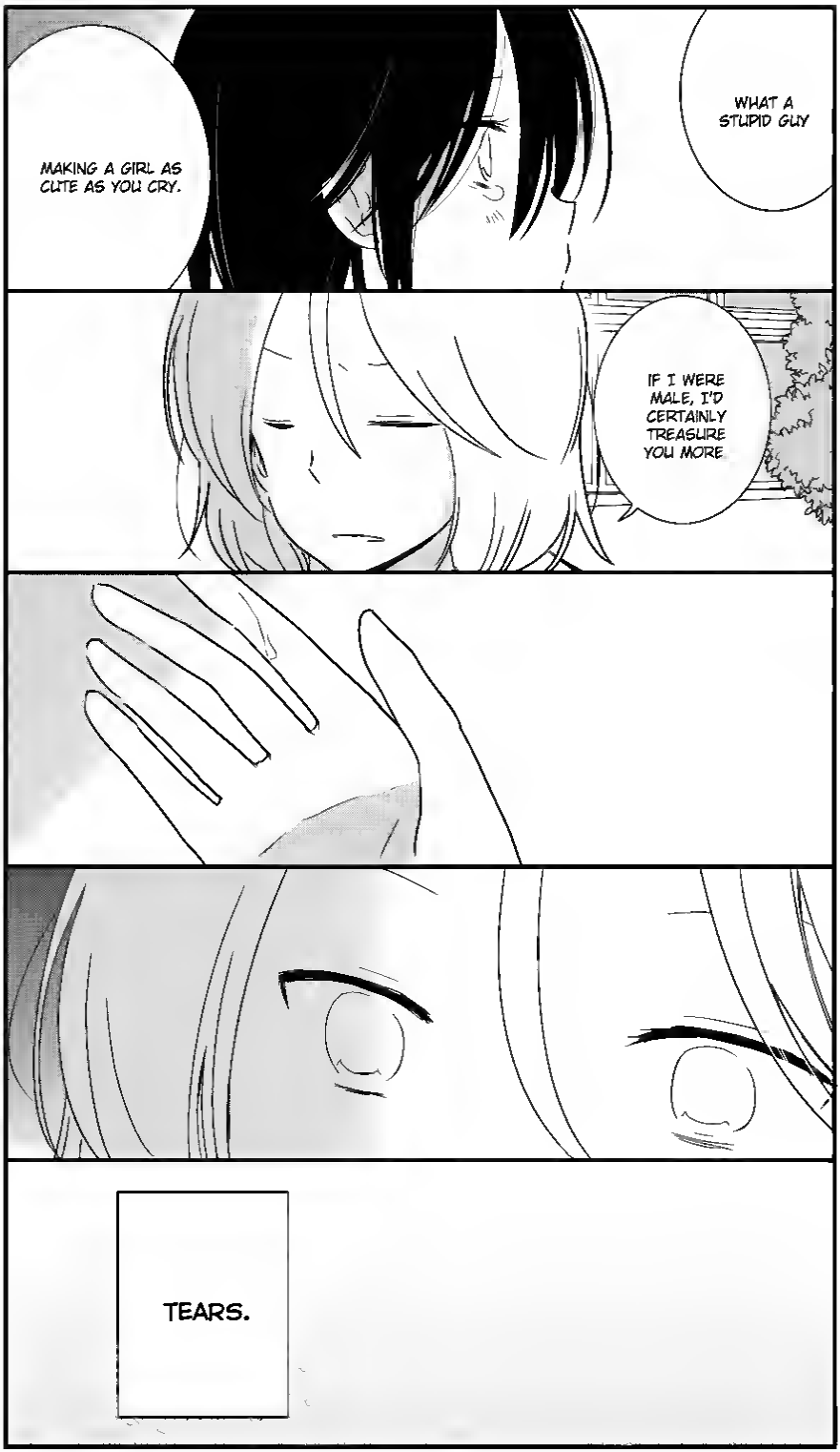
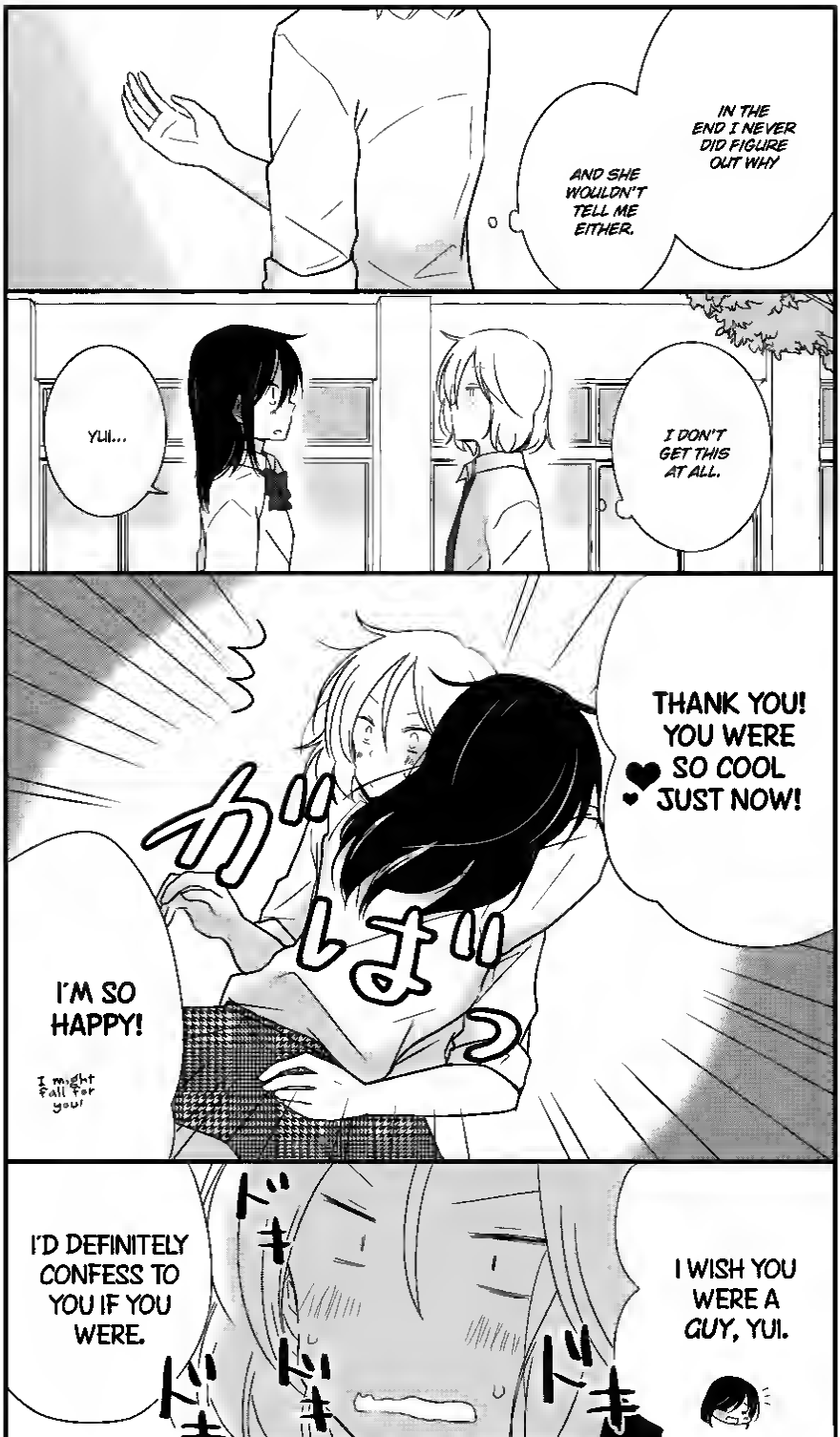
SO.. I SMASHED HIS CELL PHONE..
INTO TINY BITS..
IT'S ALMOST MY BIRTHDAY TOO AND HE PROMISED ME BEFORE THAT HE'D TAKE ME ALL SORTS OF PLACES FOR IT.
HE'S THE WORST!
IF HE'S GOING TO CHEAT ON YOU WHEN IT'S ALMOST YOUR BIRTHDAY, THEN BREAKING UP WITH HIM WAS THE RIGHT CHOICE.
YOU REALLY THINK SO?
OF COURSE!
so stop crying


WHAT A STUPID GUY
MAKING A GIRL AS CUTE AS YOU CRY.
IF I WERE MALE, I'D CERTAINLY TREASURE YOU MORE
TEARS.

ON THAT DAY,
THE REASON YUI WAS CRYING...
AND WHY I HUGGED HER BACK THEN...
SORRY... I'M FINE NOW.
DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT.
IT'S NOTHING...


IN THE END I NEVER DID FIGURE OUT WHY
AND SHE WOULDN'T TELL ME EITHER.
YUI...
I DON'T GET THIS AT ALL.
THANK YOU! YOU WERE SO COOL JUST NOW!
I'M SO HAPPY!
I might fall for you!
I'D DEFINITELY CONFESS TO YOU IF YOU WERE.
I WISH YOU WERE A GUY, YUI.

MAN, I REALLY DON'T GET THIS...
What was I thinking about before this again?
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AH—
HEY, KAZUMA!
see ya

OH, YUI.
PERFECT TIMING. LET'S GO BACK TOGETHER
YOU'RE NOT GOING TO REPORT TO YUI TODAY?
YEAH...
SO HOW ARE THINGS GOING WITH YOUR GIRLFRIEND?
GOOD I GUESS?
I'M MEETING WITH HER LATER TODAY.
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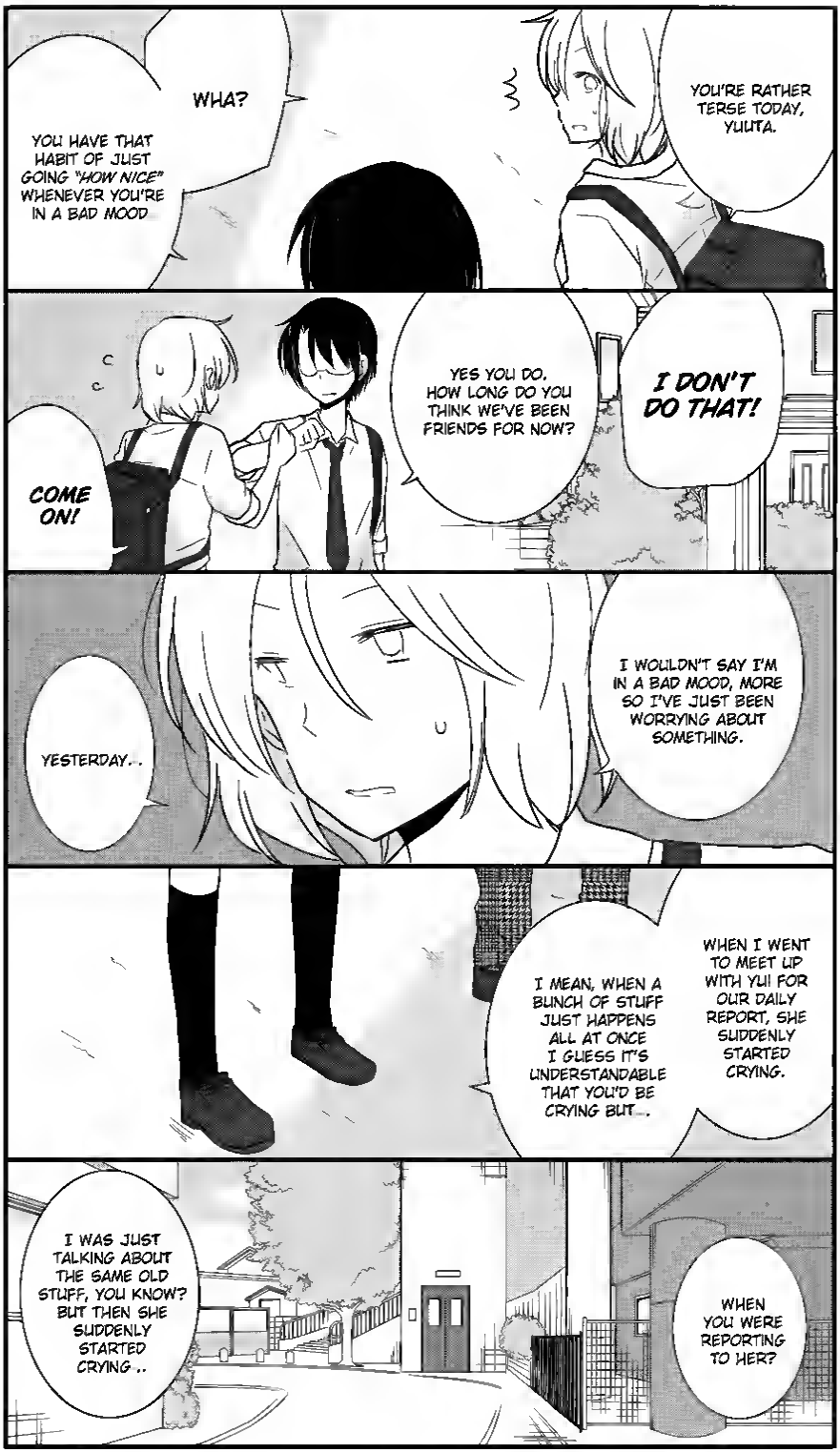
HOW NICE.


YOU'RE RATHER TERSE TODAY, YUUTA.
WHA?
YOU HAVE THAT HABIT OF JUST GOING "HOW NICE" WHENEVER YOU'RE IN A BAD MOOD
I DON'T DO THAT!
YES YOU DO. HOW LONG DO YOU THINK WE'VE BEEN FRIENDS FOR NOW?
COME ON!
I WOULDN'T SAY I'M IN A BAD MOOD, MORE SO I'VE JUST BEEN WORRYING ABOUT SOMETHING.
YESTERDAY..
WHEN I WENT TO MEET UP WITH YUI FOR OUR DAILY REPORT, SHE SUDDENLY STARTED CRYING.
I MEAN, WHEN A BUNCH OF STUFF JUST HAPPENS ALL AT ONCE I GUESS IT'S UNDERSTANDABLE THAT YOU'D BE CRYING BUT...
WHEN YOU WERE REPORTING TO HER?
I WAS JUST TALKING ABOUT THE SAME OLD STUFF, YOU KNOW? BUT THEN SHE SUDDENLY STARTED CRYING ..

I'VE BEEN WONDERING WHY SHE STARTED CRYING.
SHE WOULDN'T TELL ME.
SHE WAS NORMAL AT SCHOOL TODAY TOO.
I WAS PLANNING TO GO MEET HER LATER AND SEE HOW SHE'S DOING
SHE WENT HOME SO I COULDN'T AT SCHOOL
HOLD ON...
D-DON'T YOU HAVE TO MEET WITH YOUR GIRLFRIEND LATER TODAY?
EVEN IF THE MEETING ISN'T RIGHT NOW...
BUT I'M WORRIED
IT'LL BE FINE, I WON'T MENTION THE THINGS YOU SAID.

BUT IF YOU DO THAT...
WON'T YOUR GIRLFRIEND GET MAD?
IF SHE SAW YOU WORRYING OVER ANOTHER GIRL MORE THAN HER...
WOULDN'T SHE THINK YOU'RE CHEATING?
Granted, you're a guy right now, but still
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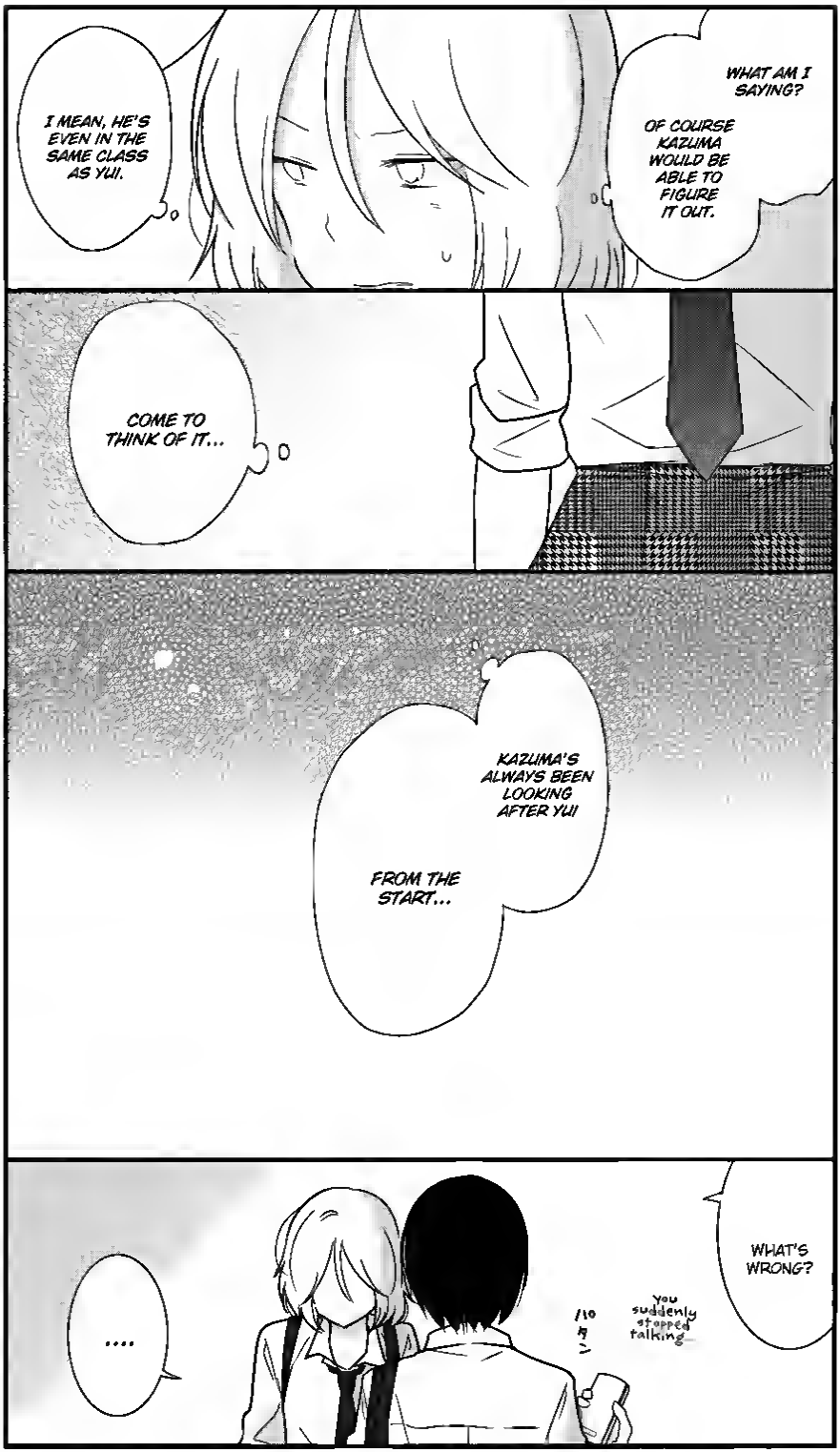
IN THAT CASE WOULDN'T IT LOOK EVEN MORE LIKE CHEATING BECAUSE I'M WALKING BACK HOME WITH YOU RIGHT NOW?
FROM AN OUTSIDER'S POINT OF VIEW.
CRAP, YOU'RE RIGHT!

BUT STILL!
YOU SHOULDN'T BREAK YOUR PROMISE TO HER!
BUT YUI WAS CRYING, RIGHT?
SO DID YOU FIGURE IT OUT THEN?
HUH? FIGURE WHAT OUT?
UH, I MEAN...


I MEAN, HE'S EVEN IN THE SAME CLASS AS YUI.
WHAT AM I SAYING?
OF COURSE KAZUMA WOULD BE ABLE TO FIGURE IT OUT.
COME TO THINK OF IT...
KAZUMA'S ALWAYS BEEN LOOKING AFTER YUI
FROM THE START...
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WHAT'S WRONG?
You suddenly stopped talking

Y-YOU...
SHOULD WORRY ABOUT YOUR OWN GIRLFRIEND FIRST!
DON'T YOU FEEL SORRY FOR HER?
I'M GOING HOME!
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He just said that and left
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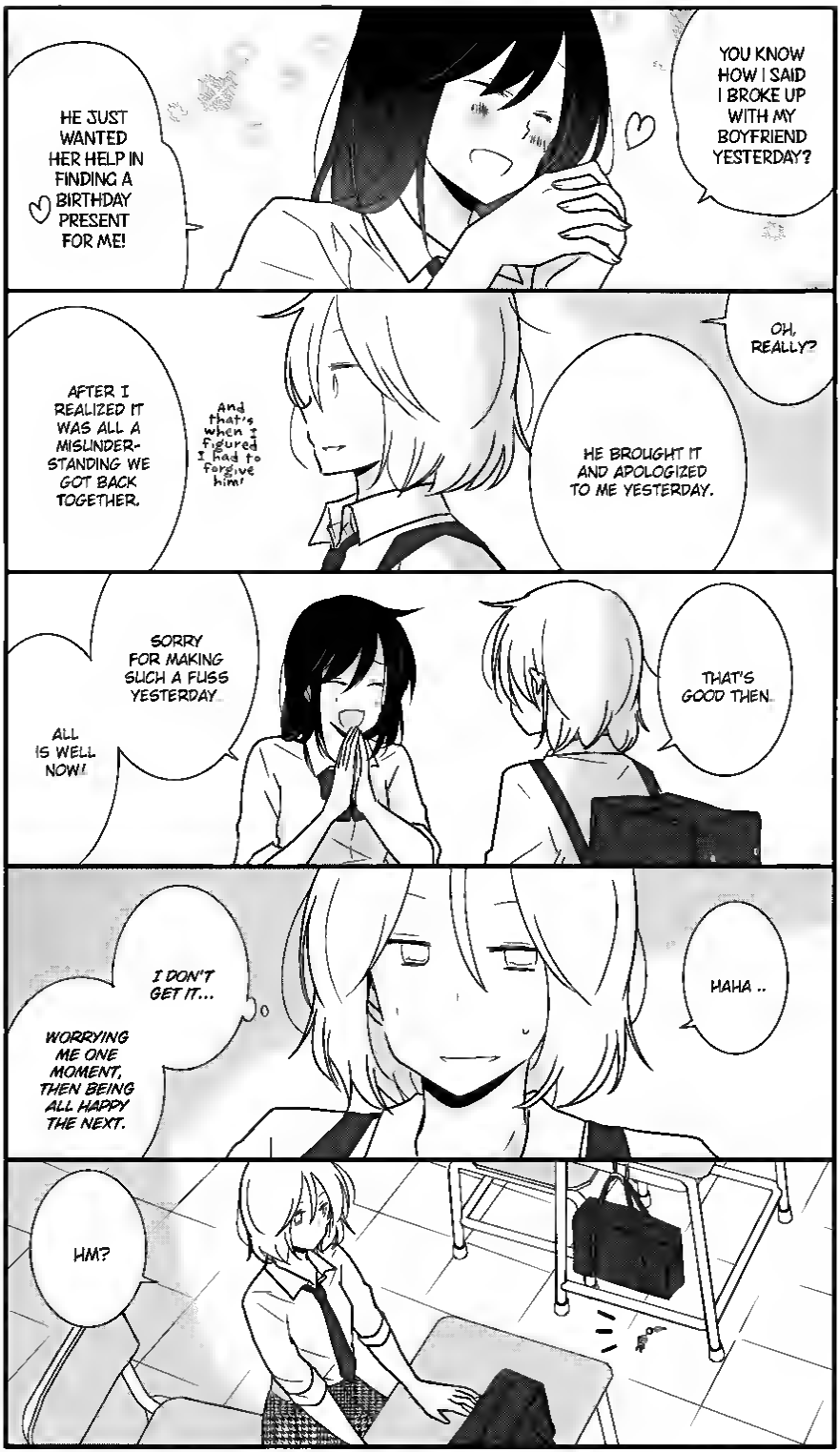
YOU'RE THE ONE WHO BROUGHT THIS UP IN THE FIRST PLACE.
MAN...
JUST WHAT AM I SAYING?

YO, YUI!
MORNING. DOING BETTER TODAY?
You seem happy
YEAH, ABOUT THAT!


YOU KNOW HOW I SAID I BROKE UP WITH MY BOYFRIEND YESTERDAY?
HE JUST WANTED HER HELP IN FINDING A BIRTHDAY PRESENT FOR ME!
OH, REALLY?
HE BROUGHT IT AND APOLOGIZED TO ME YESTERDAY.
And that's when I figured I had to forgive him!
AFTER I REALIZED IT WAS ALL A MISUNDER-STANDING WE GOT BACK TOGETHER.
THAT'S GOOD THEN.
SORRY FOR MAKING SUCH A FUSS YESTERDAY.
ALL IS WELL NOW!
HAHA ..
I DON'T GET IT...
WORRYING ME ONE MOMENT, THEN BEING ALL HAPPY THE NEXT.
HM?

A KEY?
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WOW, HOW NOSTALGIC.
IT'S GACHA RANGER!
A bit beat up though
THE FACT THAT IT WAS LYING OVER THERE MEANS
IT HAS TO BE TACHIBANA'S, RIGHT?

IF IT'S HIS HOUSE KEY THOUGH I PROBABLY SHOULDN'T JUST LEAVE IT IN HIS BAG.
HIS BAG'S HERE
SO HE CAME TO SCHOOL AT LEAST.
PROBABLY BETTER TO DELIVER IT STRAIGHT TO HIM HE SHOULD BE AROUND HERE SOMEWHERE. GUESS I'LL GO LOOK FOR HIM.
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Where'd he go?
NOT HERE EITHER.
COME ON LET'S GO.

you were getting pretty into it though
THAT ORANGE HAIRED BASTARD SURE IS TOUGH,
ESPECIALLY FOR A FIRST YEAR.
ORANGE-HAIRED...? COULD IT BE?
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H-HEY.
ARE YOU OK, TACHIBANA?
YOU AGAIN, HUH?
THAT WOUND...
WHY... DO YOU HAVE THIS?
I FOUND IT ON THE GROUND AND THOUGHT IT MIGHT BE YOURS
I FIGURED I'D BRING IT TO YOU. I MEAN IF IT'S YOUR HOUSE KEY OR SOMETHING IT'D BE BETTER TO JUST GIVE IT BACK
I didn't want to just leave it in your bag or something
HE'S IN A BAD MOOD.

IT'S...
IT'S NOT MY HOUSE KEY.
IT'S THE STORE KEY!
HEY, THE CLASS-ROOM'S THE OTHER WAY!
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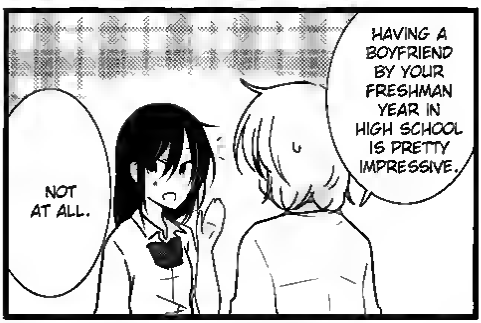
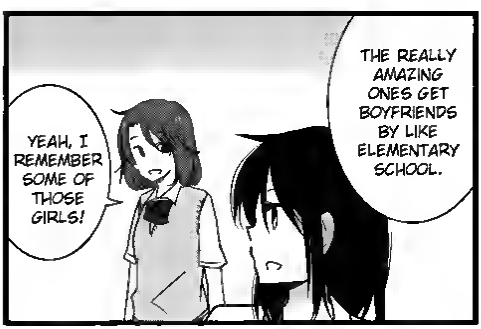
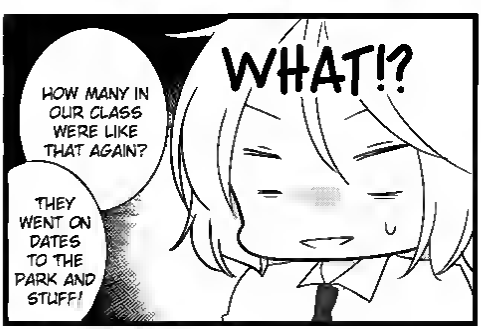
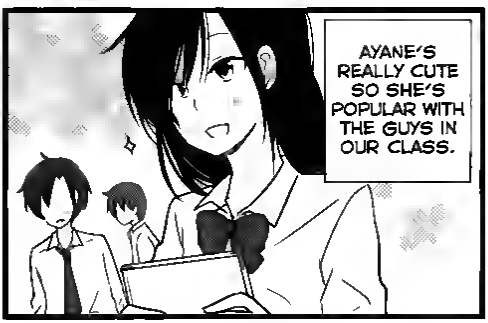


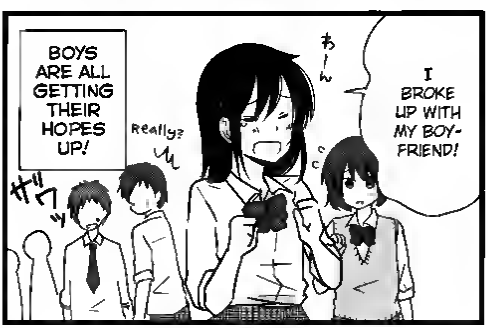


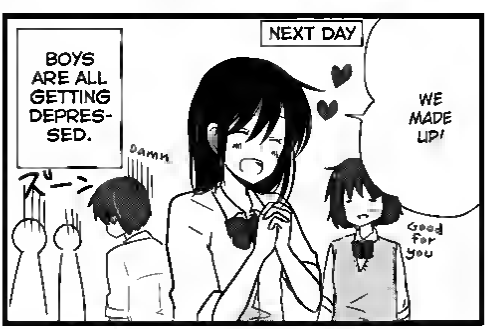


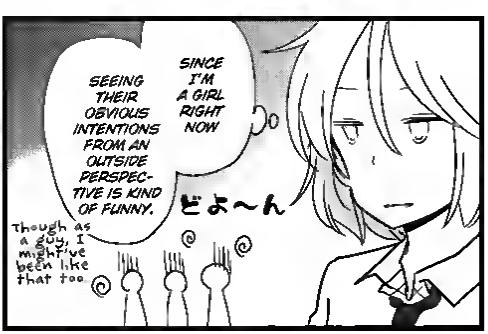
SO THIS IS THE LIFE OF A NORMAL PERSON, HUH...
SINCE I SWAPPED BODIES I HAVEN'T REALLY HAD THE TIME TO WORRY ABOUT THIS SORT OF STUFF.
That brings me back

Ayane-chan








SINCE I'M A GIRL RIGHT NOW
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SEEING THEIR OBVIOUS INTENTIONS FROM AN OUTSIDE PERSPECTIVE IS KIND OF FUNNY.
Though as a guy, I might've been like that too.

DON'T TREAT ME LIKE A GIRL!
WHAT A WEIRD GIRL...
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